establishment of another Central University in Assam.

[*Translation*]

To be answered on Monday, the 12th August, 1991

"Environmental Tribunals"

2597. SHRI MORESHWAR SAVE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken to set up Envoirment Tribunals; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). The matter is under consideration.

[*English*]

Unemployed SCs/STs

2598. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of educated unemployed persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country;

(b) whether any concessions are being given to them for different jobs in respect of prescribed qualification; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) No precise information in respect of educated unemployed persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country is available. However the number of educated Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes persons registered with the Employment Exchanges as on 31st December, 1989 were 19.9 lakhs and 5.1 lakhs respectively. All registered are not necessarily unemployed and all unemployed are not registered with Employment Exchanges.

(b) No concession is being given to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as far as prescribed minimum educational qualification is concerned. However, the experience required can be relaxed for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Management of Navodaya Vidyalayas

2599. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the procedure adopted for management of Navodaya Vidyalayas;

(b) the manner in which funds allocated are utilised on these Vidyalayas and students;

(c) whether edibles distributed in Navodaya Vidyalayas are tested and if so, how;

(d) whether any committee to look into all such aff airs has been consituted; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Navodaya Vidyalayas are managed by Novodaya Vidyalaya Samiti at New Delhi and 7 Regional Offices located at Chandigarh, Bhopal, Hyderabad, Pune,

Lucknow, Shillong and Jaipur. In addition, there is a Vidyalaya management committee in each Vidyalaya under the Chairmanship of the District Magistrate/Collector of the District.

(b) The funds allotted are utilised on Vidyalayas and Students in terms of guidelines and norms prescribed by the Samiti, relating to permissible expenditure on different items, procedural norms etc.

(c) The staff Nurse of the Vidyalaya checks the edibles before they are served to the students.

(d) and (e). Yes, Sir. there is a Vidyalaya Management Committee under the Chairmanship of District Magistrate/Collector of the District with 6 other members as under:-

1. District Education Officer.
2. Executive Engineer of State P.W.D. (Building).
3. Principal of Local College or Senior Secondary School preferabley a residential School.
4. Senior most teacher of Navodaya Vidyalaya.
5. District Medical Officer.
6. Principal Jawahar Navodya Vidyalaya.

[*English*]

Affairs of Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha

2600. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an enquiry Committee was appointed to inquire into the affairs of the Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the follow-up action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Following some complaints from different quarters alleging financial mismanagement and administrative irregularities in the Councils affairs and technical failure on the part of the Director of the Council, the Government has appointed an Enquiry Officer as one man Enquiry Committee to inquire in to these allegations. He was also asked to look into the complaints made against one of the other officers of the Council.

(b) and (c). the Inquiry Officer submitted his final report on 28.2.1991. The report has been examined and based on the findings of the enquiry, the case has been referred to the Central Vigilance Commission for their opinion.

Amendment of Intellectual Property Rights and Copyright Laws

2601. SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D. CHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to amend the Intellectual Property Rights and Copyright laws;

(b) whether the above changes are likely to include video piracy, software, books and recorded music;

(c) whether the above legislation is likely